

Revival Scheme for Reyrolle Burn Ltd.

395. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:

SHRIDIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a revival scheme for Reyrolle Burn Limited was sanctioned by BIFR on 15th October, 2000 with a cut off date of 1st April, 1997;

(b) whether on representation of Government, sanctioned scheme had to be modified in May 1998;

(c) whether the modified scheme does not spell as and who and by whom the cash loss could be financed;

(d) whether no working capital was extended by UBI to the scheme; and

(e) if so, the action taken by Government and if not, the actual reasons for the failure of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (e) BIFR had sanctioned a revival scheme of RBL on 15.10.1997 which was subsequently modified in May, 1998. BIFR reviewed the implementation of the revival scheme of RBL in a hearing held on 11.10.2000 and declared the scheme as failed after taking into consideration all the factors including non-extension of working capital assistance by UBI. It also directed the Opening Agency (OA) i.e. IIBI to issue advertisement inviting offers for change in management. Separately, the Government of India had also undertaken an exercise earlier for location of a joint venture partner in respect of RBL without success. A communication to this extent has already been sent to the operating agency i.e. IIBI. The future of the company is dependent on the final verdict of BIFR. In the meantime, in order to mitigate the hardship of the existing employees, the management has introduced a voluntary retirement scheme in the company and it is expected that all the 193 employees of the company will avail the same.

Settlement of Industrial Dispute in MUL

396. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

SHRI GAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state: